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1. DEPT. REPEATS REFTEL INSTRUCTIONS WITH SLIGHT MODIFICATIONS FOR OBTAINING SPECIAL PRESS ACCREDITATION REQUIRED OF ALL MEDIA PLANNING TO COVER WASHINGTON FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING APRIL 17-18:

A. APPLICATIONS FOR CREDENTIALS BY FOREIGN NEWSMEN AND ACCOMPANYING TECHNICIANS MUST HAVE EITHER (1) ENDORSEMENT OF THEIR FOREIGN OFFICE, WHICH CAN BE TRANSMITTED TO DEPT. BY U.S. EMBASSY; OR (2) WRITTEN ENDORSEMENT FROM THEIR WASHINGTON EMBASSY SENT DIRECTLY TO DEPT.

B. WHETHER ENDORSED BY FOREIGN OFFICE OR WASHINGTON EMBASSY, APPLICATIONS FOR CREDENTIALS MUST PROVIDE FOLLOWING PERSONAL DATA: DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, PASSPORT
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PRESS OFFICE WILL ACCEPT FROM U.S. EMBASSY SIMPLE LIST OF PRESS REPRESENTATIVES ENDORSED BY FOREIGN OFFICE, BUT MUST ALSO RECEIVE PERSONAL DATA FOR EACH APPLICANT.

C. DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT IN DEPT. OF COMPLETED APPLICATIONS IS COB APRIL 13. DIRECT THEM TO "SPECIAL LATIN AMERICAN PRESS OFFICE," ROOM 2109. SAME OFFICE WILL DISTRIBUTE PRESS CREDENTIALS BEGINNING APRIL 15. PRESS REPRESENTATIVES MUST PICK THEM UP IN PERSON.

FYI:

2. /OASGA MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE STATE CAPITAL BLDG., ATLANTA, GEORGIA, APRIL 19 TO MAY 1. PRESS CREDENTIALS WILL BE ISSUED TO BONA FIDE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA UPON PROOF OF CURRENT EMPLOYMENT. CREDENTIALS WILL BE AVAILABLE SHORTLY BEFORE THE MEETING AT OAS HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON OR IN ATLANTA. THEY MUST BE PICKED UP AND SIGNED FOR IN PERSON.

3. SEPTTEL TO FOLLOW DISCUSSING PROBLEM OF HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PRESS IN ATLANTA. RUSH

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